



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

January 18, 2000

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Charles A. Whitehead, Chairman
Florida Democratic Party
P.O. Box 1758
Tallahassee, FL 32302

RE: MUR 4434
Outback Steakhouse of Florida, Inc.,
et al.

Dear Mr. Whitehead:

This is in reference to the complaint filed by Nick Baldick of the Florida Democratic Party, with the Federal Election Commission on August 1, 1996, concerning Outback Steakhouse of Florida, Inc. The Commission found that there was reason to believe Mark Sharpe for Congress and Mark Brown, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b)(3)(A) and 441b(a), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). In addition, the Commission found reason to believe that Outback Steakhouse of Florida, Inc. ("Outback"), Joseph J. Kadow, Robert Basham and Chris Sullivan each violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a). The Commission conducted an investigation in this matter and, after considering the circumstances of this matter, on October 21, 1999, determined to take no further action against Mark Sharpe for Congress and Mark Brown, as treasurer, Outback, Joseph J. Kadow, Robert Basham and Chris Sullivan, and closed the file as to them. In addition, the Commission sent admonishments to Outback, Joseph J. Kadow, Robert Basham and Chris Sullivan. Further, the Commission found no reason to believe that Kevin P. Harron and Kimberlee Brown violated 2 U.S.C. § 441f.

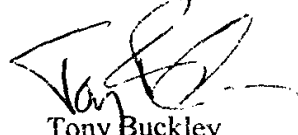
Finally, the Commission, on July 20, 1999, found reason to believe that Daniel M. Doyle knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1)(A) and 441f. On January 11, 2000, a

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conciliation agreement signed by the respondent was accepted by the Commission. Accordingly, the Commission closed the entire file in this matter on that same date. A copy of this agreement is enclosed for your information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,



Tony Buckley
Attorney

Enclosure
Conciliation Agreement